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The Honorable Marie Gilmore
Mayor of Alameda
2263 Santa Clara Avenue,
Alameda, CA 94501-4477

SUBJECT: Preserve America Community Certificate

Dear Mayor Gilmore:


As the new chairman of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, I want to add my congratulations on Alameda's designation as a Preserve America Community. Enclosed is your official designation certificate, which is suitable for framing and displaying in a public location within the community.

We appreciate your interest and participation in the Preserve America initiative, and encourage you to visit www.preserveamerica.gov to learn more about the program. Sign up for our e-newsletter at <http://www.preserveamerica.gov/newsletter.html> to keep up-to-date on Preserve America activities and news.

The Administration's proposed budget for FY2011 did not request funding for Preserve America grants. This budget proposal still awaits Congressional action. These grants have been provided on a competitive basis to designated communities to support development of sustainable historic resource management strategies, heritage tourism, and interpretive/educational initiatives involving historic resources. The government is currently operating on a continuing resolution at 2010 levels of funding through March 4, 2011, but grants like Preserve America cannot be funded during this period.

Your efforts to ensure that Alameda protects and celebrates its heritage, uses its historic assets for economic development and community revitalization, and encourages people to experience and appreciate local historic resources through education and heritage tourism programs are appreciated! Please let us know how the Preserve America Community designation is helping your community advance its goals as you continue your important work. If you have any questions or we can be of further assistance, feel free to contact Ronald Anzalone, director of the Office of Preservation Initiatives, ACHP, at (202) 606-8523 or at ranzalone@achp.gov.

Sincerely,



Milford Wayne Donaldson
Chairman

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